

# Yarthington MDC ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1939.

## GENERAL STATISTICS.

AREA 2,544 ACRES.

Population Census (1931) 6,532. - Estimated (1939) 6,138.

Number of inhabited houses end of 1939 according to Rate Books. - 1935.

Rateable Value £27,149. Sum represented by a Penny Rate £105.

## EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS.

### (Live) BIRTHS.

	Total.	Males.	Females.
Legitimate .....	56	32	24
Illegitimate .....	5	2	3
	<u>61</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>27</u>

Stillbirths..... 4 2

DEATHS. .... 96 44 52

### DEATHS FROM PUERPERAL CAUSES.

	Deaths.
Puerperal Sepsis	<u>Nil</u>
Other Puerperal Causes.	<u>Nil</u>

Total. Nil

## DEATH RATE OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE:-

All infants per 1,000 live births	- 49
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births.	- 35
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	- 200

Deaths from Measles(all ages)	Nil
" " Whooping Cough (all ages)	Nil
" " Diarrhoea(under 2 years of age)	Nil
" " Cancer (all ages)	15

Birth rate per 1,000 of estimated resident population.

10.0  
Rate per 1,00 total (Live and still)Births.

61  
Crude Death rate per 1,000 of the Estimated resident population.

15.5

Death rate per 1000 total (live and still)Births.

Nil  
Nil

Nil

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Unusual or excessive mortality during the Year which has received or required comment:- NONE.

Social conditions of the inhabitants is good; They are chiefly engaged in cloth Weaving and Bleach and Finishing Works, and in the Artificial Silk Trade.

Population for Birth-rate.) 6060  
Population for Death-rate.) 6176.

	Per 1,000 Estimated Population.	Maternal Mortality Rate.			
		Per 1,000	Per 1,000	Rate of Deaths under one Year per 1,000 Live Births.	
Live Birth Rate.	Crude Death-Rate from Tuberculosis Respiratory system.	Death from Cancer.	Live Births.	Live Births.	
11.2	13.9	0.35	1.45	5.67	94
13.3	11.7	0.48	1.46	Nil	60
10.0	15.5	0.16	2.42	Nil	49
- 1.2	1.6	- 0.19	+ 0.97	-5.67	-45
+ 3.3	3.8	- 0.32	+ 0.96	Nil	-11

\* 1939 adjusted death-rate (comparability factor 1.02) = 11.9 per 1000.

AGE PERIODS	NEW CASES.		TUBERCULOSIS.		DEATHS.		DEATHS.	
	PULMONARY	NON-PULMONARY	PULMONARY	NON-PULMONARY	PULMONARY	NON-PULMONARY	PULMONARY	NON-PULMONARY
YEARS.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0 - 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 - 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 15	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 20	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
20 - 25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 35	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 45	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
45 - 55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 65	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
65 and upwards	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS.	1	1	2	2	1	1	-	-
	2		4		1		0	








NOTIFIABLE DISEASES OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS.

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DISEASES.	TOTAL	AGE GROUPS												TOTAL DEATHS.	CASES REMOVED TO HOSPITAL.	DEATHS IN HOSPITAL BELONGING TO DISTRICT.
		0-1	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-10	10-15	15-20	20-25	25-35	35-45	45-55			
Scarlet Fever	17	1	1	-	-	3	9	3	2	2	2	2	1	5	16	1
Diphtheria(Including Membranous Group).	14	-	-	1	2	2	3	1	2	2			1	5	14	
Acute Primary Pneumonia	17	2	1	-	1	-	2	-	1	1	2	2	2	5		
Acute Influenza																
Puerperal Fever										2						
Puerperal Pyrexia	2															
Encephalitis Lethargica																
Acute Polio-myelitis																
Erysipelas	7								2	-	-	4	1			
Cerebro-Spinal Fever																
Ophthalmia Neonatorum																
TOTALS	57	3	2	1	3	5	14	4	5	5	2	6	7	5	30	1

CAUSES OF DEATH WERE:-

	Males.		Females.	
All causes, civilians only	44	52		
Measles	-	-		
Scarlet Fever	-	-		
Tuberculosis Respiratory	1	9		
Cancer	6	4		
Cerebral Haemorrhage etc.	2	23		
Heart Disease	17	1		
Aneurysm	1	3		
Other Circulatory Diseases	7	1		
Bronchitis	1	1		
Pneumonia (All forms)	1	1		
Other Respiratory Diseases	-	-		
Peptic Ulcer	-	-		
Cirrhosis of Liver	-	-		
Other Diseases of Liver	-	-		
Diarrhoes	-	-		





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<u>CAUSES OF DEATH WITH:-</u>		<u>(Contd.)</u>		<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>
Other Diseases of Digestive System				1	1
Nephritis				1	1
Encephalitis Lethargica				1	1
Puerperal Disease other than Puerperal Sepsis				1	1
Premature Birth				1	1
Senility				1	1
Suicide				1	1
Other Violence				1	1
Other Defined Disease				3	1
Ill Defined Disease				1	1
Diphtheria				1	1
Diabetes				1	3

DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER 1 YEAR.

	<u>TOTAL.</u>		
	Legitimate	2	1
	Illegitimate	1	1
<u>Stillbirths.</u>			
	<u>TOTAL.</u>	2	2
	Legitimate	2	0
	Illegitimate	0	0
<u>Live-Births.</u>			
	<u>TOTAL.</u>	34	27
	Legitimate	32	24
	Illegitimate	2	3

RESIDENT POPULATION:- 6,176.







	England and Wales	126 C.Bs and Great Towns including London.	148 Smaller Towns Resident Pop. 25,000 - 50,000 at 1931 Census.	London Adm. County.
Rates per 1,000 Population:-				
Live Births	15.0	14.8	15.6	12.3
Still "	0.59	0.59	0.57	0.44
Deaths:-				
All Causes	12.1	12.0	11.2	11.9
Typhoid and Paratyphoid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Small Pox	-	-	-	-
Measles	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00
Scarlet Fever	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
Whooping Cough	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.03
Diphtheria	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.02
Influenza	0.21	0.19	0.20	0.18
NOTIFICATIONS:-				
Small Pox	0.00	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	1.89	1.96	1.78	1.53
Diphtheria	1.14	1.21	1.16	0.98
Enteric	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.03
Erysipelas	0.34	0.40	0.31	0.37
Pneumonia	1.02	1.21	0.89	0.99
Rates per 1,000 Live Births:-				
Deaths under 1 Year of Age.50		53	40	48
Deaths from Diarrhoea and Enteritis under 2 years of Age.	4.6	6.3	3.0	8.2
Maternal Mortality:-				
Puerperal Sepsis	0.77 )			
Others	2.16 )			
Total	2.93 )	Not available		
Rates per 1,00 Total Births (Live and Still).				
Maternal Mortality:-				
Puerperal Sepsis	0.74 )			
Others	2.08 )	Not available		
Total	2.82 )			
NOTIFICATIONS:-				
Puerperal Fever.	14.35	17.26	12.99	3.31
Pyrexia				14.22



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The health of the District has been good on the whole, no infectious disease being prevalent. There were 17 cases of Scarlet Fever and 14 cases of Diphtheria but the majority of all these were notified from Holly Mount Institution.

PROFESSIONAL NURSING IN THE HOME:-

GENERAL.

Whole-time Nurse supplied by District Nursing Association.  
None provided for infectious Cases.

CHILD WELFARE CENTRE:- Each Wednesday afternoon for 3 hours for consultation in the Town Hall.

HOSPITAL ACCOMMODATION.

1. TUBERCULOSIS. Pulmonary cases sent to the County Council Sanatoria.  
Non-pulmonary cases to Infirmeries of neighbouring towns.
2. MATERNITY. Sent to Bury Union Hospital; Bury Infirmary; or Manchester Maternity Hospital.
3. CHILDREN. Manchester Childrens Hospital and Bury Infirmary.
4. FEVER & SMALL POX. Bury and District Joint Hospital Board, partly supported by Council.
5. VENEREAL. Adjoining Towns Clinic.

All Hospitals are convenient and accommodation is sufficient.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

For Infectious Cases:- Motor provided by Joint Hospital Board.  
For General Cases:- Bury Corporation's Motor.

ADOPTED ACTS.

Infectious Diseases Notification Act.  
Private Street Works Act, 1892. Parts 1, 2, 3, adopted by Statutory Resolution of Council, June 6th. 1900.  
Came into force August 1900.  
Public Health Act Amendment Act, 1890. Part 1 as Public Health Act, 1875, and 2 and 3 Adopted by Statutory Resolution of Council, November 17th. 1900, Came into Force January 1st. 1901.  
Compulsory Registration of Dairies and Cowsheds, adopted September, 1900.

PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF.

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

George Crawshaw, M.B.Ch.B., (Part time appointment).







SANITARY INSPECTOR.

Lawrence Kenyon, (also Surveyor to the Council).  
One Assistant Sanitary Inspector (Part-time).  
Visiting Nurses for Maternity and Tuberculosis Cases provided by County Council.

LABORATORY WORK.

This is done by the Public Health Laboratory in Manchester and the Broadfield Clinical Laboratory, Rochdale.  
A supply of Diphtheria Anti-toxin is kept at the Town Hall.

TABULAR SUMMARY OF THE WORK  
OF THE SANITARY DEPARTMENT.

SANITARY ADMINISTRATION.

Source of Water Supply:- Irwell Valley Joint Water Board:- Condition good.  
Possibilities of Contamination :- Under the supervision of the above Board.  
Scavenging and Removal of House Refuse :- Satisfactory.

How Performed:- By Sanitary Authority.

Privy Middens emptied mostly by day.

The refuse disposed of on tips and land. No destructor.

Sewage Disposal Works:- Treatment by the County Borough of Bury.

Character of Drainage System:- Combined Sewers.

Areas without proper Drainage System:- Affetside, Four Lane Ends, Three Lane Ends are small areas without proper Drainage System.

Action taken with regard to the pollution of Streams:- No action taken. Streams almost clear of pollution.

Canal Boats - None.

Bakehouses - Condition good, 15.

Slaughterhouses - Condition good. No Public Abattoir.

Common Lodging Houses - None.

Workshops and Workplaces - Condition satisfactory generally.

Schools - Sanitary condition generally satisfactory.

Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops are inspected at least twice a year, Condition is fairly good.  
Regulations made under the order of the L.G.B. - July 1st. 1907.

These Regulations are enforced.

Amount of Air Space in cubic feet required for each cow.

(a) Where the cows are habitually grazed:-

(b) Where the cows are not habitually grazed:-

Cowkeepers:- 55. No. of inspections during the year :- 112

Dairymen or Purveyors of Milk (other than Cowkeepers):- 4

No arrangements for Veterinary Inspection of Dairy Cows.







Action taken (if any) as to Tuberculosis Milk:- 20 Samples taken. 1 Positive. 19 Negative Results.  
The Milk (Special Designations) Orders, 1936 and 1938:-

No. of Dealers Licences (including Supplementary Licences) issued by the Local Authority during 1939 in respect of:-  
"Tuberculin Tested" Milk:- (1) Bottling - None (11) Distribution - None  
"Accredited" Milk:- (1) Bottling - None (11) Distribution - Three.

No. of Licences issued in respect of "Pasteurised" Milk:-  
(1) Pasteurising Plants - None (11) Retail Distributors - One.

Samples of Milk are periodically tested by the Lancashire County Council.  
Sale of Food and Drugs Acts and Milk and Cream Regulations:-

Action taken by Local Authority -None.  
Inspection of Food:- Action taken in respect of places where food is prepared - None.  
Amount of Food condemned or surrendered as unfit for human consumption - None.  
No. of Legal Proceedings - None.  
Nuisances. No. of notices served:- Informal 20; Statutory 9; No. abated 134.  
No. of Legal Proceedings taken - None.

CLOSETS AND ASHPITS.

Privy Middens:- 192. No of closets attached to the Middens 282.

No. of Pail Closets:- 269; No. of Dry Ashpits (excluding Middens) 246;

No. of Fresh Water Closets 1,279; No. of movable ashbins, 1,278; No. of Waste Water Closets - 139

Conversions during 1939:-

No. of privy Closets To Fresh W.C's. 24  
To Waste W.C's. -  
To Pails etc. -

No. of Pail Closets. To Fresh W.C's. -  
To Waste W.C's. -

No. of Waste W.C's to Fresh W.C's. 2

No. of houses at which movable ashbins have been substituted for fixed receptacles. 10  
SMOKE NUISANCE.

Any action taken with regard to smoke abatement. - none.  
No. of observations -  
No. of Legal proceedings taken and result - None.  
The Time Limit allowed for the emission of Black Smoke per hour - 12mins.

HOUSING.

No. of new houses erected during the year 1939.  
(1) By the Local Authority - 10. (11) By other bodies or persons - 13.







GENERAL OBSERVATIONS ON HOUSING CONDITIONS.

On the whole the standard is fairly good. Inspection of the old property revealed certain defects which have been brought to the notice of owners under the 1936 Housing Act. Bad conditions from overcrowding almost negligible. Owing to changed conditions during the year Housing work has been almost stopped.

HOUSING SCHEMES:- 4 houses were completed at Moyse Avenue, Walshaw.  
OVERCROWDING:- Almost negligible in this District.

CLEARANCE AND IMPROVEMENT AREAS.

A clearance Area (Brickfield) comprising 6 houses has been confirmed by the Ministry of Health.

SANITARY IMPROVEMENTS DURING 1939.

Conversion of privies to water-closets.

CHIEF SANITARY REQUIREMENTS OF THE DISTRICT.

Further conversions of privies to water-closets.

Satisfactory Water supply to Afetside; Four Lane Ends; Three Lane Ends and Cann Street.

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